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Cigarette Probable Cause of Fatal Local Fire

The State Fire Marshall, Lt. Shimkus, and Fire Chief Boudreau, of Wilmington have come to the opinion that a cigarette caused the fire which took the life of Alice Blanchard, 39, of St. Paul Street, on the night of January 18th.

According to the reconstruction by the Marshall and the Chief, Mrs. Blanchard had been reported to have been lying in bed, during that afternoon of the 18th., smoking, and the mattress caught fire. She put the fire out with a couple of glasses of water.

That evening, while she with her two year old daughter, Laura Lee, and six year old boy, Raymond, were lying together in another bed, she smelled smoke, and told Raymond to go downstairs and get some more water.

Raymond went downstairs, according to reports, followed by his sister, and found that the only container which had water was too heavy for him to carry. He called up to his mother, and received no response, and the heat, in a few minutes forced him out, with his baby sister wrapped in a coat.

It is thought that Mrs. Blanchard became suffocated, and was unable to get downstairs.

The fire was first noticed by Mrs. Duggan, of St. Paul Street, who was returning home from a trip to New Hampshire. She noticed the fire and thought at first that it was a rubbish fire. She soon realized that there was more than rubbish there, and, unable to go up St. Paul Street, she drove to King Street, and then around. Arriving at the scene of the fire, which was by this time a holocaust, she turned as soon as possible and went to the first home to call the fire department. No telephone at this place forced her to go to another home, and it is thought that perhaps 20 minutes had elapsed before the fire department was able to get to the fire.

The fire department was forced to use Garden Avenue, a rocky slippery road, and lay over 1500 feet of hose, to get to the fire.

The body of Mrs. Blanchard, charred beyond recognition, was found on the first floor, and examin-

ed by Coroner Devlin, who, had arrived about one hour after the fire was reported, accompanied by the Chief of Police, Paul Lynch.

Mr. Blanchard, who works in a gas station in Woburn was away at the time of the fire. Two other children were visiting the home of a neighbor, while the oldest daughter had been baby-sitting in Winchester.

Lt. Shimkus and Chief Boudreau were very much impressed by Raymond, who had acted so manfully, under the circumstances. "A real little fellow," says Arthur Boudreau, "he stood up like a man and told the story without a quiver!"

Meanwhile, the Wilmington Community Fund, which has been taking care of the children, has been swamped with clothing. Over three beach-wagon loads of clothing has been donated.

The funeral of Mrs. Blanchard took place, yesterday morning, amidst a mourning crowd of Wilmington residents, in the Holy Cross Cemetery, in Malden. The Senior Class of Wilmington High School attended as a group, in respect to the mother of one of their classmates.

REYNOLDS OUT FOR SELECTMAN'S POST

George E. Reynolds, of Westdale Avenue, has announced that he will be a candidate for the post of Selectman, in the coming election. Mr. Reynolds, who is 35, and in the insurance business, is a Navy veteran with 3 years of overseas duty. He is a former Assessor, and is a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

LORETTA PLUMMER IN WINCHESTER HOSPITAL

Loretta Plummer, 8 years old, of Taft Road, was rushed to the Winchester Hospital in the Police Ambulance, suffering with appendicitis, on January 17th.

Loretta, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Plummer, is resting comfortably.

GEORGE L. BEAL ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY

George L. Beal, of Aldrich Road, announces that he will be a candidate for election to the School Committee, this coming March. Mr. Beal, who is employed by the L.B. Evans Shoe Company, of Wakefield, has lived on Aldrich Road for about 20 years. This is Mr. Beal's first venture as a candidate for a civic post in Wilmington.

D A V TO MEET WEDNESDAY

There is to be a meeting of the Disabled Veterans, at the Silver Lake Betterment Hall, tonight, at 8 p.m. This is to be an important meeting, and all members are urged to attend.

FOUND DEAD

Mrs. Nellie Drew, 79, of 316 West Street, was found dead, at her home, by her daughter, Leith Drew, at 9 a.m. on January 16th. The death was ascribed to natural causes, by the Medical Examiner.

WRISTS SLASHED

James D. MacCartney, 62, of 120 Forest Street, was found, by his family with his wrists slashed, on the morning of January 21st. Dr. MacDougal was called, and he in turn called the police, who responded with the ambulance. MacCartney was dead before the ambulance arrived.

TOWN RENTS SNOW FIGHTERS

The Town of Wilmington has rented two Walters Snow Fighters, from the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Co., TM Cushing stated, in an interview, Monday.

The TM was dissatisfied with the methods of snow removal in Wilmington, and he began to scout around for improvements, he stated. He discovered, almost by accident, that the Eastern Mass. Railway had a couple of snow removers that they wanted to sell, and he went down and looked them over. Now the TM has rented these snow removers, at \$100 a piece, per week, with the option of applying the rental money towards the purchase price, if the town should vote to buy them.

The TM pointed out that both the City of Lawrence, and the MDC had recently purchased snow removers, of the same type, and had paid in the neighborhood of \$23,000 to \$25,000 for them. These snow removers, he stated, are second hand, but in excellent condition, and we can get them because the Eastern Mass. no longer has any use for them, for the sum of \$3,000 each. These snow removers have run 15,000 to 18,000 miles.

The TM plans to use these snow removers working together, tandem, on the Main Streets during snow storms. They are designed for the job, will go 20 to 30 MPH while working, will spread sand twice as fast as trucks, and will probably do more work, and be cheaper to operate than five trucks, the TM stated.

Wilmington is not the only town who has been able to get some of these snow removers, he revealed. Arlington, Methuen, Salem and Wellesley have all made similar deals with the Eastern Mass. Railway.

ELFMAN TO RUN FOR MODERATOR AGAIN

Town Moderator David Elfman, of Middlesex Avenue, has announced that he will be a candidate for reelection to the office of Moderator. Mr. Elfman, who is an attorney, is the father of two sons. He has lived in Wilmington for nearly twenty years.

BLISS RESIGNS FROM WHA

E. Hayward Bliss, of Glen Road, who has accepted the chairmanship of the School Building Committee, tendered his resignation, as treasurer of the Wilmington Housing Authority to Ralph Currier, Secretary of the WHA on January 17th. Mr. Bliss resigned because the law forbids any person to hold any other civic office while being on the Housing Authority.

CORRECTION

The next meeting of the Baldwin Civic Association has been changed to February 6th., and not the first Tuesday in February, as was announced in last week's Crusader.

LEAKY REFRIGERATOR

The Fire Department was called out, on a still alarm, to combat gas in the home of Raymond Dewhurst, on Federal Street, on January 21st. The gas came from a leaky refrigerator.

NON SUPPORT CASE

A former Wilmington man, now living in Dorchester was sentenced to 3 months in the House of Correction, on January 17th., in Woburn Court. He had pleaded guilty to a charge of Non-Support.

SUSAN T. ESLER

Mrs. Susan T. Esler, wife of the late William Esler, was buried in St. Paul's Cemetery, in Arlington, beside the body of her late husband, on January 21st. The interment followed a Solemn High Mass of Requiem in St. Thomas Church, on Monday morning.

Mrs. Esler had been found unconscious in her home, last Wednesday, by police who broke in, after a neighbor had called because the lights had been seen burning all night. Mrs. Esler was removed to St. John's Hospital where she was cared for by Dr. Fagan. She never recovered consciousness.

The deceased was Past President of the Department of Massachusetts, American Legion Auxiliary, and had served as an Assessor, in this town, and as a Federal appraiser, for the Home Owners Loan Corp.

AMBULANCE CASE

Mrs. Brooks, aged 89, of Burlington Avenue, was taken to the St. John's Hospital in the Police Ambulance, at 5:45 p.m., January 22nd. Dr. Boynton in charge, Fireman Nee and Officer Shepard driving.

THEFT OF PLUMBERS SUPPLIES FROM WHA

Wilmington Police have received a report dated January 21st, which states that plumbers supplies, to the value of \$177.44 has been stolen from the building under erection for the Wilmington Housing Authority, on Wildwood Street. An investigation is being made.

LAND COURT FINAL DECREE

In a final decree, handed down by the Land Court, and dated December 28, 1951, the Town of Wilmington was declared the owner of real estate originally owned by Henry P. Chadwick, and shown as Lots 29-22 on the MacFarlane plan. The land, which is on Park Avenue off Grove Avenue, originally had several buildings, one of which burned down and another had been torn down, presumably for firewood.

The original action was entered by the late George Buck, Tax Collector, on the 25th of May, 1931, and was argued before Judge Fenton, by Attorney Walters on November 25, 1951.

Back taxes, owned to the town on the land and buildings amount to \$1,411.08.

RECKLESS DRIVING

A truck, owned by the All State Sand & Gravel Company, and driven by Frederick O. Elia, of 31 Walnut Street, Woburn, was forced off the highway by a passing car, which passed on the left, and then closed in on the truck, on Lowell Street, near Parker Street, at 4 p.m., January 21st.

The truck, which was forced off the highway, was unable to stop in time to avoid crashing into a parked car, a Ford, owned by Joseph Donovan, of Washington Street. Donovan's car then forged ahead and crashed into another owned by Donald Crogan, of Marion Street, with damage to both.

The police called the Fire Department, to wash gasoline from the street, after which the Highway Department spread sand, to prevent skidding on the ice.

The driver of the car which caused the accident did not stop, but sped off, towards Reading.

ARMY CHAPLAIN VISITS HERE

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) F.D. Vonholme, U. S. Army was the week end guest of Mr. George Foley, Sr., and family, of 2 Blackstone Street. Father Vonholme recently arrived from Vienna, Austria, where he had been stationed at the Vienna Military Post for several years. He is at present on a 30 day leave, after which he will report to the Hq. of the 111 Corp, in California.

At the invitation of Father Shea, of St. Thomas Church, Father Foley conducted the 8:30 a.m. Mass, on January 20th., in memory of Mrs. Rose E. Foley, the mother of Corp. Lawrence M. "Chuck" Foley, US Army. Corporal Foley, "Chuck" to everyone in Wilmington, had been the Chaplains assistant, and Chief Clerk, in Vienna, and Chaplain Vonholme was happy to call on Chuck's relatives, in Wilmington.

Chuck, says the Chaplain, is in good health, and will be coming home in about 14 months. His address is Corp. Lawrence M. Foley, US Army, RA 111 999 37, Vienna Military Post, Billeling, N.C.O., 110th, Station Hospital, BOQ, APO 777, N.Y. N.Y.

NEW DELIVERY TRUCK

There are several merchants in Wilmington who make a living by going from door to door, selling fruit, vegetables and such items, on what is commonly known as a "route." One of these men is Birger R. Myrstad, an ex-Norwegian Seaman who has, among other things, spent several of the years of his life in the Antarctic.

This is to report that our ex-sailor has exchanged his old blue truck for a bright yellow one, of the kind that many milk companies have for delivery of milk. It looks quite attractive, Mr. Myrstad.

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WHY EDITOR CALLS HIMSELF "WE"

Why does an editor use the word "We" in writing an editorial?

The Iowa Publisher recently reprinted the following explanation for the "editorial we" which was published in the Williamstown Advocate over 100 years ago:

"A Country Editor — is one who reads newspapers, selects miscellany, writes articles on all subjects, sets type, reads proof, folds papers, and sometimes carries them, prints jobs, runs on errands, cuts wood, works in the garden, talks to all his patrons who call, patiently receives blame for a thousand things that never were and never can be done, gets little money, has scarce time and materials to satisfy his hunger, or to enjoy the quiet of nature's sweet restorer, sleep, and esteems himself peculiarly happy if he is not assaulted and battered by some unprincipled demagogue who loves puppet shows and hires the rabble with treat of cider brandy to vote him into some petty office.

A man who does all this and much more, not here recorded, you will know must be a rather busy animal; and as he performs the work of so many different persons, he may justly be supposed their representative, and to have an indisputable right, when speaking of himself, to use the plural number, and to say we on all occasions and in all places."

GOING OVERSEAS

Red Eaton, the former taxi operator of North Wilmington, is now headed overseas, with Uncle Sam's Army. His new address is Private

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NEW CITIZENS

William K. Irwin Jr., the son of Mr. and Mrs. William K. Irwin, of Glendale Circle, was born in the Winchester Hospital, on January 14th.

John Laffin, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Laffin, of 11 Verandah Avenue, was born in the Osteopathic Hospital, in Jamaica Plain, on January 19th.

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Doc MacDougal entertained the Wilmington Rotary Club, last Wednesday with pictures which he had taken, while on a family tour of the Gaspe Peninsula.

The pictures did credit to Doc, who always has had a pretty mean thumb on a camera shutter, but the boys in the club were even more pleased at the manner of delivery.

Doctor MacDougal's lecture, which accompanied the showing was so good that there were a few members who thought he should give up rolling pills and snipping bandages, and start a new business.

THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

The School Building Committee, appointed by the TM had its first meeting in the Roman House, last Friday night, on January 18th. The first item of business was to approve of the chairmanship of Mr. Bliss, who had been so appointed by the Town Manager.

The Committee decided that they should survey the entire school picture in Wilmington, with a look ahead at coming problems. They plan to visit and study every school, if possible, within an easy distance of Wilmington, which has been built in the last two years. There are 18 such schools, and these schools, they were informed, cost on an average of \$700 per pupil to build.

The Committee also voted to check on all land owned by the Town, to see if any of it was worth using for school purposes.

The next meeting will be on January 23rd.

CONGREGATIONAL

There will be a free parish supper, served by the women of the North Branch, on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Following the supper, at 7:30,

the annual meeting of the church will be held. Reports of Officers and committees, including the nominating committee, will be received and acted upon. Of special importance this year will be the report of the parish house committee, and the members of the church will be called upon to decide what action shall be taken.

The usual services will be held next Sunday morning. The Quaintance Club will meet at the parsonage at 5 p.m., and the Fireside Fellowship will also meet this week at the parsonage at 7 p.m., at which time Mr. Harry Ainsworth will be the speaker. At 8 p.m., the Couples Club is inviting the people of the parish to an open meeting in the vestry, to hear Mrs. Gertrude O. Rinden, speaking on the topic "Behind the Bamboo Curtain."

The Bible Study Class meets Monday at 8 p.m.

LADIES! HAVE YOU MARRIED RECENTLY?

The Town Clerk, Mrs. Gilligan, reminds any Wilmington lady who may have changed her name recently that it will be necessary to re-register, before election time, if

it is planned to vote this year.

The law says that any woman who changed her name before January 1st of this year must register, with her new name.

Last date for registration of voters is February 12th, according to Mrs. Gilligan.

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JANET ARSENAULT
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It was a stormy night, one calculated to make people stay home, but over 350 persons came to watch the Rotary Talent Show, at Villanova Hall, on January 10th.

Janet Arsenault, of Chelmsford, with a pantomime routine, took first prize, with a pantomime show that won the applause of everyone present. Miss Arsenault is to appear on the Community Optician Show on WBZ-TV on January 27th.

There were several contestants, all of whom put on a good show. The

Bennett sisters, won a good applause, and several of the youngsters who did dance routines were well received.

Kenneth Wenning, of Newton, was a vocalist who was introduced as a newspaper man.

He works for a good paper, too, the Christian Science Monitor.

CHARLIE O'ROURKE—
REPEAT PERFORMANCE

Charlie O'Rourke, who won everlasting fame as a member of the BC team which played Tennessee in the Sugar Bowl, in 1939, is coming back to Wilmington for a repeat performance, at the Football Banquet, to be held in the High School Cafeteria, at 6:30 p.m. Saturday. Charlie, always a popular man in this part of the country, will be

the featured speaker at the banquet, and those who have heard him speak here before are looking forward to a full evening, along with a four piece orchestra, and turkey with all the fixings.

SATURDAY NIGHT
RAINBOW SUPPER

The Billerica Assembly of the Order of Rainbow will conduct a supper Saturday night with Masonic Hall the scene of the festive event. Home prepared foods will be served with the supper hour set for 6:15.

MISHAP WHILE BLASTING
ON DORCHESTER AVENUE

Kenneth Mutschman, of Temple Street, was rushed to the St. John's Hospital, in Lowell, in the Police

Ambulance, when he was injured, while blasting, on Dorchester Street. Mr. Mutschman, who was not injured seriously, was rushed to the hospital for X-Rays.

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TRAINING AT MARYLAND

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Upon completion of their 11 week training period they will be assigned to duty with the Fleet, or with Navy Shore Stations.

ON USS WICONSIN

Two Wilmington boys, David S. Finney, Fireman, of Bay Street, and Paul R. Ryan, of 3 Cottage Avenue, are serving aboard the USS Wisconsin in Korea waters. They took part in the recent bombardment of the coastal area below Wonsan, in which the Wisconsin dropped 16 inch shells on enemy concentrations. The Army and Air Force spotters termed the Wisconsin's artillery fire as "excellent", as it inflicted heavy personnel losses.

SURPRISE BILLS AT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

At the meeting of the School Board, last Thursday, quite a time was spent in the discussion of bills, and the payment of them. The Superintendent reported that he is, at present, unable to make satisfactory entries into his ledgers, because of the 2% discount situation. He never knows whether or not a bill has been paid, until several months have elapsed, otherwise the bills get tangled up.

Another item which is not entirely satisfactory is the delivery of oil and coal. Because of the mass purchasing plan, deliveries are made without the Superintendent's knowledge, and it is frequently necessary to make out purchase orders, after the materials have been delivered. Mr. Good does not regard this as being a satisfactory method.

A copy of the letter written by the TM on the Special School Building Committee was read to the committee, as was a copy of another letter, written to Mr. St. Clair, of the Sturgis Associates. This letter caused quite a bit of comment. Mr. Good had not received a copy, and it was thus news to him. It granted a contract to the Sturgis Associates, for \$110 to make an installation, on the ceiling of the Meter Room, in the High School, for the purpose of preventing the floor of the Dental Office from getting cold.

Among the items that the School Committee thought, of when this letter was read was 1. There was no purchase order. 2. This was not in the budget. 3. This had not been approved by the Committee, and no one had told them about it, neither

had anyone complained about cold in the Dental Office. 4. This is not a repair, hence is something about which they believed they should have been consulted, because 5, it is a new installation.

The Committee agreed that they would not sign the bill, without a purchase or other order.

MILDRED ROGERS SCHOOL

It was reported to the Committee that some mornings it was too hot in this school, and some mornings it was too cold. Sometimes the teachers had to wear overshoes, to keep their feet warm. Over 900 gallons of oil had been burned in three weeks, the Committee was told.

Rhinehart System

The Superintendent reported that the Rhinehart system for teaching penmanship had been started, in the schools of Wilmington, on January 7th. This is a system in which the first two grades take up cursive writing, and with the children using pen and ink, by the time they get to the fourth grade. The importance of the method is the individual analysis, which is made monthly, by the Rhinehart people, and the Superintendent was able to report that the teachers seemed

to like the system.

What Time Does School Let Out?

There has been some discussion between the Superintendent and some of the teachers, regarding the time that the teachers were to leave school, after the day finished. The trouble was caused by some of the teachers clubbing together, for rides, and, if one were dismissed early it would be necessary to dismiss the others early too. Mr. Good explained. Mr. Good explained to the Committee that he has made a rule that each teacher be required to stay for one half hour, after school, in order to be fair to everyone. The Committee approved.

Vacations

The Committee voted to have the February vacation during the week of February 17th., and the April vacation during the week of April 13th.

Visiting Teacher

The Superintendent reported that there are two cases, in which a pupil is unable to attend school for a long period because of illness, etc. Both of the cases are in their homes, and a visiting teacher has been hired, to teach the children there.

Teachers Salaries

The Teachers Club has made inquiries regarding any possible salary increases, and the Committee thought that it would be wise to discuss this question with the Finance Committee, before making any announcement.

X-Ray Program

An X-Ray program is being set up, by the School Nurse, Mrs. Nichols, Mr. Good reported. It is hoped to have this program working by the Fall.

The Middlesex Health Association will be paying the bills for this program.

TEACHERS RIDE ON THE BUSES

There was some discussion concerning teachers getting rides on school buses. No definite decision was reached, but the Superintendent suggested that any teacher should sign a release, before riding.

NEW DIPLOMAS FOR HIGH SCHOOL

A new type Diploma, for High

School graduates, was shown to the Committee, and approved by them. The diploma is much smaller, and is part of a folding cover arrangement, whereby the diploma is protected from dirt, never folded, and easily preserved in a book case, or other similar place.

WILMINGTON

POLICE ASSOCIATES

The Wilmington Police Associates have requested permission to have the Junior High School Gymnasium, for the younger boys of the town, up to 12 years of age, for basketball games. Larry Cushing would be in charge of the program, and it would not interfere with Boy Scouts or Girls Basketball.

John Hartnett moved that the PA be given permission, under the above conditions and, the motion was unanimously adopted.

SUPERINTENDENT'S

ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools was read to the Committee, for comment.

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Star guests on the train, of course, will be the famous Flying Backmans, of Chestnut Street, three of whom have entered the Derby. Carl Backman, at present stationed with the US Army in Camp Devens, hopes to be able to attend, so that he may compete in the Senior Derby. Knute

Backman, who has already won one Derby, will be competing in the intermediate, while Leon Backman, winner of two titles and a North American championship, will be in the junior race.

Other Wilmington skaters who will perform, in what might be labeled as a "Wilmington Day at the Derby" will be Jean and Jackie Ashworth, of Church Street, Pat Gertrude and Charlie Cushing, and Jerry Galvin and Carl DeTato.

The Special train leaves Wilmington at 11 a.m. on January 27th and another will leave Boston, for the return trip, at 6 p.m. the same day. The train, which will be a five-car one, is expected to be loaded, as usual.

● TOWN NOTES ●

WEATHER

Very mild for May, and January too. We have had a week of nice temperatures, with occasional readings of nearly 50 degrees. The snow, for the third time this winter is disappearing, but this time, the chances are that it will not go entirely.

On the 13th we had a trace of rain, and on the 14th, there was .04 inches, on the 17th there was .29 inches, rain and hail, and on the 19th there was half an inch of snow, which was equal to .20 inches of rain, and soon melted, anyway.

TELEPHONE POLL

We have had word from the telephone company that only about 1/3 of the Wilmington subscribers have voted on the proposed change of service. Apparently the telephone company thinks that this is a poor percentage, because they are still looking for votes from interesting subscribers.

DOUBLE TAKE

One amusing sidelight to the Rotary Talent Show was seen in George's Restaurant. A placard, ad-

vertising the show, and having a picture of Gene Jones and Freddy Guerra had been set up in George's, and when, about 5 p.m. that Thursday, Freddy and his orchestra came into the restaurant, the stage was, as we might say, all set.

George took the orders, without paying too much attention to the individuals, and it wasn't until he had turned around, and come face to face with the placard that he realized—he whirled around, quickly, took a quick look, and then whirled back to his duties. All in a quarter of a second, but long enough to provide amusement for everyone present.

SKATING

For a while the only place to skate in Wilmington was where the Rotary Park had been cleared of snow, but now, with warm days and cold nights every place in town is in nearly prime condition.

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Contestants have their eyes on the big chance of a spot on "Community Opticians," whose Television Shows are staged by Schillinger House, Boston.

The Rotary Club thanks the "Thursday Nighters" for the group patronage at the first show. Other Clubs are invited to do likewise. Thanks also to the "Catholic Daughters," whose refreshment booth added to the evening's pleasure.

The "Wilmington Women's Club" has voted to co-operate with the Rotary Club. The Firemen's Association has pledged itself to help make these Shows a financial success.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hinxman, Mrs. Ashworth and Mr. Walter Kirkell acted as Chaperons, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Backman and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Glavin, were in charge of refreshments. M.C. was Larry Cushing, and Larry also provided the background music.

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TOWN ACCEPTS BY-LAWS

(Continued from last week)

Mr. Currier said that the committee had regarded this law as applicable to Pawn Brokers, and that there are none in Wilmington now, but this was an effort to look to the future. The town, said Mr. Currier, could vote to retain this law, or not, as it pleased.

Mr. Henderson rose to ask if livestock would come under this law. Mr. Currier countered by asking if livestock were junk. There was discussion, too, about Antique Dealers.

The Moderator asked about the other words which were proposed to be deleted, and Mr. Currier cited a time in which several camps in the Silver Lake area had had lead pipe stolen from them. It was because of this that the committee thought that the Selectmen should have the right to inspect the books of dealers. Mr. Moran argued that the Police already had this right. Under certain circumstances, Mr. Moran pointed out, this provision, in the hands of the Selectmen can become a threat. He continued by pointing out the circumstances of the case of a veteran who had been turned down by the Selectmen on a question of gathering junk. The Chair thought that Mr. Moran was wandering from the subject, but Mr. Moran stated that he was illustrating a point in the argument. Mr. Lyons spoke on the same question, and then the town voted to defeat the amendment. Mr. Lyons then moved to amend, by deleting the portion which required the seven day wait, and the town adopted this motion.

PEOPLE BEGIN TO LEAVE

The time was now getting to be 10:15 p.m. and several voters left the building, in spite of the appeal of the Moderator. He asked Mr. Ernest Eames to take a count of the voters, and Mr. Eames announced, after a standing count that there were 82 voters present. Mr. Elman later adjourned Mr. Eames to keep check on those leaving. "If we get down to 75 voters," he said, in a somewhat facetious tone, "Lock the Doors." I'll take home any voter who loses his transportation," he added.

Chapter 6 and the Building By-Laws were then run through, rather rapidly. There was a considerable amount of change in wording, for the "Sign By-Laws." There was very little change in the Building By-Laws.

Section 8 of Division 10 was amended to require a written notice to the Fire Chief, by the Building Inspector, on defective chimneys. The Plumbing Division was amended twice, by deletion, once when the line stating that Septic Tanks and Cesspools should be at least 15 feet from the foundation wall of a build-

ing was deleted, and again when the line prohibiting the use of lead pipe was deleted.

At 10:36 the By-Laws were thrown open for discussion, from the floor. The Moderator explained that any person could now offer any amendment or ask any question leading to any amendment. (Some of the amendment offered have already been reported on.)

Charles Bowman thought that the section of the Garage Law which required steel windows, but allowed wooden doors should be deleted. Mr. Lyons agreed, and pointed out another instance. Both of these were deleted.

Chief of Police Lynch thought that there should be something about Old Buildings, meaning those which are a menace. Mr. Black assured the Chief that there was a section of the State Law which covered.

Larz Neilson thought that the section of the Building Laws covering inspection before plastering could be amended to state that such inspection should be made within 24 hours of receipt of notice by the Building Inspector, Saturdays and Sundays and Holidays excepted. He made a motion to thus amend, and after some discussion the motion lost.

Carl Neilson thought that Section 4, Division 4, of the Building Laws, should be deleted. This section provides that all buildings hereinafter erected or altered for dwelling houses should not have less than 800 square feet. Mr. Currier stated that an area should be set, as a limit, and he thought that this was the right one, and that the Board of Health agreed. Mr. Neilson stated that a lot of houses were being built in the town, at the present time, which were thought to be adequate, and which, he believed, were not of the size stipulated. Bob Evans spoke against the amendment, and Paul Metcalf pointed out that this section prohibits any one with a home of less than 800 square feet from improving it. The amendment was defeated.

Finally, at 11:18 p.m., as one irate citizen left the floor, stating that he had to get up in the morning, the time arrived at which no one had an amendment to offer, and the main question, i. e. the adoption of the By-Laws as amended was put to the Town. These Laws were quickly adopted by a standing vote, there being no one to vote against them. Mr. Lyons then offered a motion thanking the By-Law Committee, and Mr. Currier for their work, and this was hastily adopted by an impatient crowd, after which the meeting adjourned at 11:19 p.m.

TOWN EMPLOYEES PLEASE NOTE

Mrs. Grace Tilley, Town Treasurer has at her desk, the Withholding Statements, for 1951, for all employees of the town. She hopes that all employees will pick up their statements as soon as possible.

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Undergoing recruit training at the U.S. Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Maryland, is Bernard N. Eaton, seaman recruit, U.S.N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard H. N. Eaton, of 80 Main Street, Wilmington. Eaton, who attended Junior High School, was employed by Copley Shoe Co., of Wakefield.

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METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Tuesday evenings at 8:00 p.m. the adult Bible Class will meet at the church. The group is studying the Book of Acts including the organization and doctrine of the early Christian church.

Friday, the Methodist Adult Fellowship will hold a covered dish supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Paige, on Burlington Ave. On Sunday, January 27, Dr. Nils Svibergson, Asst. Superintendent of the Tewksbury State Hospital spoke to the high school fellowship on the problem of narcotics explaining how such drugs are harmful to all young people.

On Thursday, February 7 the Annual Church Meeting will be held at the Methodist Church. This meeting, formerly known as the Fourth Quarterly Conference, is open to all members and friends of the church. It will begin with a supper at 6:30 p.m. which will be served at cost. Immediately following the supper, a program for children will take place in the vestry while the adults listen to the reports of the various committees and organizations of the church. The conference will be presided over by Dr. Archiver Strait, Superintendent of the Lynn District of the Methodist Church.

IT WASN'T A WILMINGTON MAN

An out of town paper featured a story, on the front page, during the last week, in which it stated that a Wilmington man was suspected of aiding in the escape of a Sherborn Reformatory inmate. The couple had been arrested in Revere, in a cabin at Oak Island.

The man, who had owned a summer camp in Wilmington, was never in Wilmington, other than possibly a few week-ends, the Crusader was

told this morning, by one of Wilmington's officials.

The Wilmington Police Department too, state that this man did not live in Wilmington. He lived in Revere, the arrest was in Revere, and Wilmington does not enter the picture, except casually, was the way that one of Wilmington's police officers put it.

2% IS 2%

For more years than anyone in Wilmington can remember, the School Committee has met, monthly, or more often, to consider school matters, and to sign bills.

The bills, of course, were always a problem, by no means unsurmountable, but nevertheless something to which the committee always gave full attention. One pleasure there was, in a certain way, when it came to signing bills. That pleasure was in the personal contemplation of the discount allowed, because the materials were intended for school use. Many of the merchants regularly discounted their bills, sometimes as much as 45%, and even though a committeeman had to pay the full price at home, still there was a certain satisfaction in knowing that the town was not having to pay the full measure.

Recently, there has been a new discount, one on which some of the merchants have not calculated. The Town Manager gave an order that all bills coming to any department of the town should be discounted 2%, for cash. The School Committee, in an attitude of co-operation, has carried out this order faithfully.

Last Thursday night, the School Committee met for their regular meeting. As usual, the first thing was the signing of bills. Each bill was first discounted 2% and then signed. Large bills, with large discounts, and small bills, some of which were like that of a local merchant who had done some repairs, worth perhaps \$10, and had charged only for the materials, \$3, each and every one was discounted 2%. Two per cent is 2 per cent. Then there were other bills, in which no 2% discount could be made. These were the bills that the merchants had sent back, to get their 2 per cent. One of these was for \$2.16, representing 2% of a bill submitted last month. Another was for 21 cents. 2 per cent is 2 per cent say the merchants, apparently, even if we have to spend a lot of postage and billing money to get it.

Then came a bill in which the School Committee could get its teeth. Here was a bill, from the Water Department of the Town of Wilmington, to the School Department of the Town of Wilmington. Water \$4.15. Gravelly the Committee considered the bill, and gravelly they

deducted 2%.

"There," said Arthur Lynch, as the 2% was deducted. "Now it is \$4.07 instead of \$4.15!"

"That," said John Hartnett, "was money well saved!"

TOWN WITHHOLDING TAX

The sum of \$33,702.34 was withheld from wages of Wilmington's employees, in 1951, a check with Mrs. Tilley, Town Treasurer reveals.

HAROLD McKELVEY RETURNS HOME

Harold McKelvey, of 11 Border Avenue, returned to his home, after having been in the Choate Memorial Hospital, for heart trouble.

Mr. McKelvey is expected to remain under the care of a physician for a long time.

THE LADY COMPLIMENTED THE TOWN MANAGER

TM Cushing says that a lady called him, about 10 p.m., the other day and asked him if he knew that a certain place on Salem Street was icy. The TM didn't know it, but he thanked the lady, and sent a truck up to sand the place.

Next day he was thanked for sanding the place, by the lady, who had added that the rest of the street was sandy too, but the crew had just sanded the one spot she complained about. The TM again took action, and sent a crew up to Salem Street.

Now the TM has a letter thanking him for having the street sanded. "It isn't very often that someone does that!" says the TM.

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